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CHEM BLDG BOMBED! TOWN HARRIS BLAZES

Great Hall Serves as Hospital

NOVEMBER 30, 1936 - This is the fifth day of the bloody seige of City College heights by the silver-shirted gangster army of Gerald L. K. Smith's "Young Americans".

The fascist attackers have now established a line to their munition source at Wilmington. Checked up to two days ago on the Jersey side of the Hudson by the mining of George Washington Bridge, the invaders finally ferried the river under cover of darkness and a concentrated aerial-artillery bombardment of the defenders and have established their front line northwest of the College at 145th St. and Amsterdam Avenue. It is rumored that a new type of corrosive gas will soon be used to route the Student Battalion from the college's underground corridors which have been compared to those of the famed Spanish Alcazar.

COLLEGE IS A RUIN

The Chemistry Building has been bombed and is in ruins. Fortunately the building was unoccupied at the time. Many important experiments in progress have been destroyed. Townsend Harris Hall has been struck by an incendiary bomb and is now ablaze.

The Tech Building smokestack was an easy target for the rebel planes. A direct hit was scored on the stack and it toppled to the campus, killing and maiming a score of students. Munitions which had originally been stored in that building have now been transferred to underground sections of the Main Building.

The educational pride of the greatest city of the world is rapidly being transformed into a shambles. The collections of the old and new library buildings, specimens and equipment of the Biology Department, are rapidly being removed out of the danger zone.

The Great Hall is now being used as a hospital. Casualties of today's raid include four members of the college faculty. Fourteen students were killed in a surprise flank attack on the fascist wing from the direction of Lenox Avenue and 143rd Street. Anti-aircraft guns have been mounted on the Main Building turrets and entrenchments are being constructed on the line stretching from Hamilton House to the Orphan Asylum on Amsterdam Avenue.

UNITED FOR DEFENCE

The American Student Union which has been a main force in organizing the United Defence Committee has moved its office to the former ROTC headquarters on the ground floor. The Young Communist League and Young Peoples Socialist League which have been conducting unity negotiations for the past few months have now united in a single organization. Many of the officer staff of the defenders are former officers of the ROTC who persuaded their uniformed comrades to join the anti-fascists.

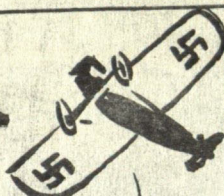
A novelty of today's air raid was a leaflet bombardment from a plane bearing in large black letters the legend NUSJ. The leaflet began with the statement: "Desert your Communist Jew and Nigger Leaders. If you surrender, you will not be hurt." Evidently this method of warfare has been borrowed from the arsenal of the defenders who have been flooding the enemy line with leaflets addressed to the soldiers and denouncing the Hearst-DuPont-Coughlin clique as the instigator of a rebellion comparable to that of the South in 1860.

HISTORY REPEATS ITSELF

A peculiar and prophetic occurrence happened today. At about 2:30 P.M. the enemy big guns evidently located the range and a large shell burst ten feet away from the Borglum bust of Lincoln at the entrance to the Main Building. In the American History library a lieutenant of the former ROTC and now of the United Defence Executive Committee was instructing a class of recruits in machine gun assemblage. The explosion shook the building considerably and a large

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IT IS HAPPENING IN SPAIN — IT CAN HAPPEN HERE



WITH JUST A SLIGHT CHANGE OF SCENERY, the scene described on the other side is a pretty fair duplicate of what is taking place right now in University City outside Madrid!

THE OVERWHELMING MAJORITY of the Spanish people are waging a desperate battle against fascist barbarism and reaction. They are fighting for democracy, for that same democracy that we fought for in 1776. On one side are ranged the large capitalists, feudal landlords and reactionary heads of the Catholic Church. On the other side stand the united Spanish workingclass, the peasants, the middle class, the great majority of the Catholics of Spain.

THERE IS NO LONGER A Young Communist or Young Socialist League in Spain; these have combined in a single youth organization, they have achieved the unity that we are trying to achieve here in the USA.

BREAK THE BLOCKADE

THE SPANISH PEOPLE are fighting against tremendous odds. Not only does Franco receive military aid from Hitler and Mussolini but the so-called democratic countries of France, Great Britain and United States have placed the legal Spanish government under a virtual blockade. Only the Soviet Union has come to the aid of the Spanish people with shiploads of food and clothing and is doing its utmost to break the blockade.

MATCH BLOOD WITH PENNIES

THE SPANISH WORKERS, STUDENTS AND INTELLECTUALS WHO ARE DYING AT THE FRONT, APPEAL TO US FOR HELP. WHO IS THERE IN CITY COLLEGE WHO DOES NOT CONSIDER HIMSELF AN ENEMY OF FASCISM? YET IT IS A SMALL THING TO MATCH THE BLOOD OF THE HEROIC SPANISH NATION WITH OUR PENNIES. LET US ANSWER THEIR APPEAL IN A LOUD AND LUSTY VOICE. EVERYTHING FOR SPAIN. GIVE TILL IT HURTS!

Under the auspices of the NORTH AMERICAN COMMITTEE TO AID SPANISH DEMOCRACY a Defence Booth for receiving donations of money, food or clothing has been set up in the alcoves. You are an enemy of fascism. HAVE YOU DONE YOUR PART?

- City Evening Branch Young Communist League
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THE BATTLE OF CITY COLLEGE HTS.

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bronze placque previously unnoticed fell to the floor with a clatter. On picking it up it was discovered to be engraved with the following:

TO THE MEN OF THE REVOLUTION WHO IN THE TRYING DAYS OF 1776 STOOD UNDISMAYED BY DEFEAT AND HELD THEIR GROUND ON THESE HEIGHTS AGAINST A POWERFUL ENEMY. ON THIS SITE AMERICAN TROOPS ENCAMPED AFTER THE BATTLE OF HARLEM HEIGHTS. HERE THEY ENTRENCHED, SKIRMISHED AND KEPT THEIR VIGILS. HERE WASHINGTON, PUTNAM, GREENE & OTHER HEROES OF THE STRUGGLE CHEERED THE SPIRITS AND HOUSED THEM TO NOBLE EXERTION AND FINAL TRIUMPH.